

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: International Application PCT/DE98/01186  
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Preliminary Amendment

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, after "according to" cancel "one of the preceding claims"  
and insert -- Claim 1 --

Claim 6, lines 1 and 2, after "according to" cancel "one of the preceding claims"  
and insert -- Claim 1 --

Claim 7, lines 1 and 2, after "according to" cancel "one of the preceding claims"  
and insert -- Claim 1 --

Claim 8, lines 1 and 2, after "according to" cancel "one of Claims 1 to 4, 6 or 7"  
and insert -- Claim 1 --

Claim 9, lines 1 and 2, after "according to" cancel "one of the preceding claims"  
and insert -- Claim 1 --

Claim 10, line 1, after "according to" cancel "Claims 2 and 8" and insert -- Claim  
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Claim 13, line 1, after "according to" cancel "Claims 2 and 8" and insert -- Claim  
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